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A new class of analog-to-digital (A/D) and digital-to-analog (D/A) converters using a flaky quantiser, called the β -encoder, as shown in Fig. 1 [1, 2, 3] has been shown to have exponential bit rate accuracy while possessing a self-correction property for fluctuations of the amplifier factor β and the quantiser threshold ν . Motivated by the close relationships [4, 5, 6] between β -transformations and β -expansion, we have recently observed [9, 10] that (1) such a flaky quantiser is exactly realized by the “*multi-valued Rényi-Parry map*”, defined here so that probabilistic behavior in the “flaky region” is completely explained using dynamical systems theory; (2) a sample x is always confined to a subinterval of the contracted interval while the successive approximation of x is *stably* performed using β -expansion even if ν may vary at each iteration (*i.e.* a small real-valued quantity, approximately proportional to the quantisation error, does not necessarily converge to any fixed value, *e.g.*, 0 but may oscillate without diverging). Such a phenomenon is precisely the kind of “*chaos*”); (3) such a subinterval enables us to obtain the decoded sample easily, as it is equal to the midpoint of the subinterval and to prove two classic β -expansions, known as the *greedy* and *lazy* expansions [7, 8] are perfectly symmetrical in terms of their quantisation errors. The subinterval further suggests that ν should be set to around the midpoint of its associated greedy and lazy values. A switched-capacitor (SC) circuit technique [11, 12] has been proposed for implementing A/D converter circuit based on several types of β -encoders and SPICE simulations have been given to verify the validity of these circuits against deviations and mismatches of circuit parameters. Our review

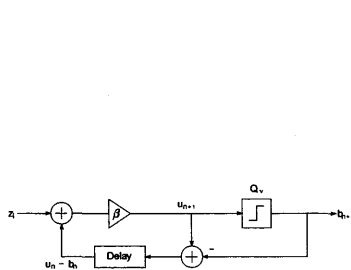


Figure 1: A typical β -encoder with its input $z_0 = y \in [0, 1)$, $z_i = 0, i > 1$ and output $(b_{i,\beta})_{i \geq 1}$.

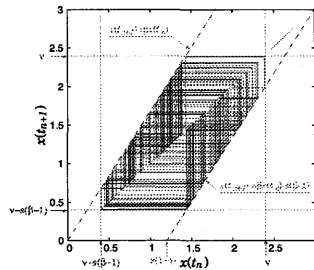


Figure 2: The scale-adjusted β -map: $S_{\beta, \nu, s}(x)$ and its eventually onto map in which an attractor can be observed.

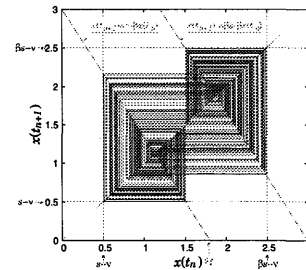


Figure 3: The scale-adjusted negative β -map: $R_{\beta, \nu, s}(x)$ and its eventually onto map in which an attractor can be observed.

is twofold. First, the β -encoder leads us to naturally define the “*multi-valued Rényi-Parry map*” [4, 5] with its eventually onto map, as it is identical to the Parry’s (β, α) -map [6]. Second, *chaos*, called “ β -expansion’s attractors” can be observed on the onto-map. Two types of β -expansion’s attractors are as follows:

1. **Scale-Adjusted β -Map**[9, 11]: Daubechies et al. [1, 2] introduced a “flaky” version of an imperfect quantiser, defined as

$$Q_{\Delta_\beta}^f(z) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } z \leq \nu_0, \\ 1, & \text{if } z \geq \nu_1, \\ 0 \text{ or } 1, & \text{if } z \in \Delta_\beta = [\nu_0, \nu_1], \nu_0 < \nu_1, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

which is a ν -varying model of a quantiser $Q_\nu(z) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } z \leq \nu, \\ 1, & \text{if } z \geq \nu, \end{cases} \quad \nu \in [\nu_0, \nu_1], \nu_0 < \nu_1$. We obtain:

Lemma 1[9]: Let $S_{\beta, \nu, s}(x)$ be the scale-adjusted map with a scale s , defined by

$$S_{\beta, \nu, s}(x) = \beta x - s(\beta - 1)Q_{\gamma\nu}(x) = \begin{cases} \beta x, & x \in [0, \gamma\nu), \\ \beta x - s(\beta - 1), & x \in [\gamma\nu, s), \end{cases} \quad \nu \in [s(\beta - 1), s), s > 0 \quad (2)$$

which is referred to as the “multi-valued Rényi-Parry map” on the flaky region $\Delta_\beta = [s(\beta-1), s]$ and has its eventually onto Parry’s (β, α) -map [6] with the subinterval $[\nu - s(\beta-1), \nu]$ as shown in Fig.2. This map realises the flaky quantiser $Q_{[s(1-\gamma), s\gamma]}^f(\cdot)$. Let $b_{i, S_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i}$ be its associated bit sequence for the threshold sequence $\nu_1^L = \nu_1 \nu_2 \cdots \nu_L$, defined by

$$b_{i, S_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i} = Q_{\gamma\nu}(S_{\beta, \nu_1^{i-1}, s}^{i-1}(x)) = \begin{cases} 0, & S_{\beta, \nu_1^{i-1}, s}^{i-1}(x) \in [0, \gamma\nu_i), \\ 1, & S_{\beta, \nu_1^{i-1}, s}^{i-1}(x) \in [\gamma\nu_i, s). \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Then we get $x = s(\beta-1) \sum_{i=1}^L b_{i, S_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i} \gamma^i + \gamma^L S_{\beta, \nu_1^L, s}^L(x)$ and its decoded value

$$\hat{x}_{L, S_{\beta, \nu_1^L, s}^L} = s(\beta-1) \sum_{i=1}^L b_{i, S_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i} \gamma^i + \frac{s\gamma^L}{2}.$$

2. Negative β -Map[10, 12]: We get

Lemma 2[10]: Let $R_{\beta, \nu, s}(x) : [0, s) \rightarrow [0, s)$, $s > 0$ be the (scale-adjusted) negative β -map, defined by

$$R_{\beta, \nu, s}(x) = -\beta x + s[1 + (\beta-1)Q_{\gamma\nu}(x)] = \begin{cases} s - \beta x, & x \in [0, \gamma\nu), \\ \beta s - \beta x, & x \in [\gamma\nu, s), \end{cases} \quad \nu \in [s(\beta-1), s] \quad (4)$$

which is another “multi-valued Rényi-Parry map” on the flaky region $\Delta_\beta = [s(\beta-1), s]$ realising $Q_{[s(1-\gamma), s\gamma]}^f(\cdot)$ and has its eventually onto Parry’s (β, α) -map [6] with the subinterval $[s - \nu, \beta s - \nu]$ as shown in Fig. 3. Let $b_{i, R_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i}$ be the associated bit sequence for the threshold sequence ν_1^L , defined by

$$b_{i, R_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i} = Q_{\gamma\nu}(R_{\beta, \nu_1^{i-1}, s}^{i-1}(x)) = \begin{cases} 0, & R_{\beta, \nu_1^{i-1}, s}^{i-1}(x) \in [0, \gamma\nu_i), \\ 1, & R_{\beta, \nu_1^{i-1}, s}^{i-1}(x) \in [\gamma\nu_i, s). \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Then we get $x = (-\gamma)^L R_{\beta, \nu_1^L, s}^L(x) - s \sum_{i=1}^L f_{i, R_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i} (-\gamma)^i$ and its decoded value

$\hat{x}_{L, R_{\beta, \nu_1^L, s}^L} = s\{(-\gamma)^L/2 - \sum_{i=1}^L f_{i, R_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i} (-\gamma)^i\}$, where $f_{i, R_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i} = 1 + b_{i, R_{\beta, \nu_1^i, s}^i}(\beta-1)$. Such a negative β -expansion defines a new A/D converter called a *negative β -encoder* which facilitates the implementation of stable analog circuits. Figures 2 [11] and 3 [12] show a typical β -expansion’s attractor of Eqs.(2) and (4), respectively.

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